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SUBJECT: EMPLOYMENT OF RESIDENT DEPENDENTS BY AMERICAN
COMPANIES

REF: DHAHRAN 851

1. DURING CALL BY AMBASSADOR AND DCM ON PRINCE AHMAD,
VICE MINISTER OF INTERIOR, ON JULY 26, AMBASSADOR RAISED
THE GENERAL PROBLEM OF EMPLOYMENT OF WIVES AND FEMALE
DEPENDENTS OF AMERICANS BY AMERICAN COMPANIES WORKING IN
SAUDI ARABIA. PRINCE AHMAD SHOWED LITTLE SYMPATHY FOR THE
AMERICAN COMPANIES OR THEIR FEMALE EMPLOYEES, AND REMARKED
THAT NO ONE SHOULD WORK IN SAUDI ARABIA WITHOUT FIRST
OBTAINING A WORK PERMIT, WHETHER THE INDIVIDUAL IS MALE
OR FEMALE. (FYI: WORKING PERMITS ARE NOT USUALLY GRANTED
TO WOMEN IN SAUDI ARABIA UNLESS THE AUTHORITIES ARE SATIS-
FIED THAT MALE AND FEMALE EMPLOYEES WILL BE COMPLETELY
SEGREGATED.) PRINCE AHMAD DID NOT RESPOND TO AMBASSADOR'S
ARGUMENT THAT EMPLOYMENT OF WIVES AND FEMALE DEPENDENTS IS
AN ECONOMICAL WAY FOR COMPANIES TO MEET THEIR PERSONNEL
REQUIREMENTS AND THUS REDUCE THE COST TO SAUDI ARABIA OF
THE PROJECTS CARRIED OUT BY AMERICAN FIRMS.

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2. PRINCE AHMAD, DESPITE HIS AMERICAN COLLEGE EDUCATION,
IS CONSIDERED TO BE A CONSERVATIVE ON RELIGIOUS AND SOCIAL
MATTERS. IT DOES NOT APPEAR THAT HE WILL BE A USEFUL
CHANNEL TO DEAL WITH THE PROBLEMS OF EMPLOYMENT OF
DEPENDENTS IN SAUDI ARABIA.

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